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Chief Executive Officer

September 16, 2009

To: Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman
Supervisor Gloria Molina
Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From: William T Fujioka
Chief Executive Officer

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STATUS ON BOARD DIRECTION TO DEVELOP AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN RELATED TO ORDINANCE FOR GREEN BUILDING, LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT AND DROUGHT-TOLERANT LANDSCAPING (ITEM NO. 76, AGENDA OF OCTOBER 7, 2008)

On October 7, 2008, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to report back with a cost-neutral plan to implement the Green Building Program. This is a follow-up to the previous status report dated February 12, 2009 (attached).

The Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works were contacted regarding the impact of the ordinances on workload and whether or not additional resources are needed to comply. As of this date, neither department has experienced a significant increase in workload due to the new ordinances.

The Department of Regional Planning is currently developing standards to measure resources needed by their Land Development Coordinating Center staff to perform additional reviews. The Department of Public Works has initially identified a need for 4.0 full-time equivalent positions, which will be required and noted that representatives of major projects are contacting the Department's Building and Safety staff to discuss compliance and design aspects related to the Green Building ordinances. The Department is anticipating and increase in workload to occur by January 2010.

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Once both Departments have experienced a measurable increase in workload due to the Green Building Ordinances, the CEO will be able to determine whether or not fee increases are needed to fund the additional resources. The CEO will continue to work with the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works to evaluate the need for additional resources and to develop recommendations to your Board as warranted. Departments will have opportunities to request appropriation in the mid-year budget adjustment, or identify unmet needs as part of their 2010-11 Proposed Budget request.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact me or you staff may contract George Parker at 213-974-4363.

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Attachment

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Acting County Counsel
Acting Director of Regional Planning
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Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

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On October 7, 2008, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to report back with a cost-neutral funding plan to implement the Green Building Program.

The CEO met with both Regional Planning and Public Works staff to discuss the need for additional cost and staff to implement the Green Building ordinances. During the meeting, it was determined that each department will be able to absorb the first year cost of implementing this program since much of the emphasis will involve establishing the ground work needed to develop staff training and education, as well as providing public outreach and training for the community at large.

The workload created by implementation of the Green Building ordinances for the first six months will be absorbed by departments using existing resources. During this time, both departments will be better able to determine how their workload will be affected because they will have had actual experience to help determine if additional resources will be required during the 2009-10 fiscal year.

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While the criteria for determining such requests cannot be identified at this time, departments will most likely consider the time required for staff to review plans, given the complexity of the plans, as well as the capability of staff to provide adequate reviews without the need for additional training. The CEO and the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works will evaluate the need for additional resources and measures to ensure cost neutrality, and propose recommendations to your Board. Departments will have opportunities to request appropriation during either the Final Changes or Supplemental Budget phases of the 2009-10 budget process.

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